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TO WHEELING JAIL

A Negro is Brought From Hancock County, Charged With

THE MURDER OF MRS. KIDDER

At New Cumberland a Few Days Since—Sentiment Against the Man Ran High, So the Accused Was Brought Here for Safe-Keeping. The Crime was a Fiendish One, With Robbery the Only Motive.

Yesterday Deputy Sheriff Armor Cooper, of Hancock county, W. Va., arrived in the city, having in his custody a negro, John Johnston, who is accused of murder. The man was placed in the Ohio county jail, where he will remain until his trial at New Cumberland before Judge Hervey next March. The Hancock county authorities would ordinarily take their prisoners to the Brooke county jail, at Weilsburg, but it is said their motive in placing Johnston in the stronger jail here is that they feared the strong public sentiment that is prevalent in the vicinity of the place where the crime was committed.

Johnston is accused of murdering Mrs. Mary Kidder on November 29, near New Cumberland. The woman kept a railroad laborers' boarding house, most of her patrons being Slavs, and there was one negro, Johnston. Mrs. Kidder usually carried large sums, ranging from \$300 to \$500, on her person, and it was for this money that she was cruelly beaten to death with a bludgeon claimed to have been in the hands of Johnston on the day mentioned. A little boy, her son, witnessed the crime, and ran to neighbors, to whom he cried that a "nigger" had killed his mother. Johnston disappeared after the crime, but was soon captured, and, as related above, is now confined in the jail here.

In Clerk Robertson's Office.

Yesterday in Clerk Robertson's office the following transfers of real estate were recorded:

Deed, made December 7, 1899, by Bessie T. Reed to Elizabeth Shafer, consideration \$1,600, transfers lot 4, plat 2, Cochran's sub-division, John Reid farm, on the National pike.

Deed, made December 5, 1899, by G. E. Boyd, Jr., special commissioner, to Augusta Ullig, consideration \$2,500, transfers west half of lot 22, in Spriggs' row, Eighth ward.

Deed made December 7, 1899, by Anna Elizabeth Shafer, widow, to Bessie T. Reed, consideration \$1,600, transfers lot 2, plat 2, Cochran's sub-division, John Reid farm, National road.

A marriage license was issued to Fred Miller, 27, and Annie Coleman, 27, widow, of Wheeling.

Franklin to Rebuild.

The trustees of the Franklin college, at New Athens, O., at a called meeting, resolved to rebuild the college building the coming summer. The new building is to cost not less than \$20,000, and will be much better than the one destroyed by fire. The people are enthusiastic, and many subscriptions have already been received. The trustees were unanimous in their action, and entertained no other thought than to build on the same campus. Comfortable rooms have been secured in other buildings and recitations will go on as usual. The annual contest will take place Friday night, December 22, and the next term begins January 2.

Mrs. Belle M. Dare Dead.

Yesterday occurred the death of Mrs. Belle M. Dare, of Weilsburg, wife of Mr. E. A. Dare, in the fifty-fourth year of her age. Mrs. Dare, who was a Hudson, was born in Brooke county. Her first husband was Mr. John Morgan, of this city, who will be remembered as the manager of the Western Union telegraph office years ago. She is survived by six children, among these being Brady H. Morgan, of the Island, from whose home, 35 South Huron street, will occur the funeral Saturday, with interment at Greenwood cemetery.

May be Dr. Howard.

The vestry of St. Matthew's P. E. church will meet shortly to select a successor to Rev. N. S. Thomas, and in this connection the name of a prominent Chicago divine is being used. The vestry is thinking very seriously of extending a call to Rev. Dr. Howard, of Chicago, who occupied St. Matthew's pulpit a few weeks ago, on which occasion he made a most favorable impression. Until the vestry acts, of course, this is conjecture, but there are many who think that Dr. Howard will be the new rector.

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CHATELAIN Watches for Girls. W. J. LUKENS, One Price Jeweler.

FAMILY WASHING. Rough Dry Washed, Starched and Dried 5 cents per pound. Flat Work, Washed and Ironed, 5 cents per pound. All hand work finished 10 cents per pound. At LUTZ BROS' Home Steam Laundry.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

Going and Coming of Wheeling People and Visitors.

Alex. Sweeney is a Steubenville guest of the Stamm.

J. M. Garrard, of Sistersville, is at the Grand Central.

James H. Pine, of Sistersville, was in the city last night.

Max Peterson, of Berlin, Germany, is a guest at the McLure.

W. P. Robinson left for Philadelphia last night, on legal business.

George J. Lingaman is home from New York for the holidays.

J. T. Hervey and wife, of New Martinsville, are staying at the Windsor.

W. E. Sturgess, of Barricksville, and H. Bruner, of Sistersville, were registered at the Howell yesterday.

Postmaster George Dickey and Robert Lyons, of Cynthia, Ky., were in the city yesterday, guests of their relative, Judge L. S. Jordan. They were on their way from Kentucky to Washington.

H. H. Dunlevy and family are expected home in a few days from Joplin, Mo. Mr. Dunlevy's friends will rejoice in learning that his eyes will suffer no permanent injury from the accident he suffered a few weeks ago.

Rev. H. L. A. Fick, until his recent resignation assistant rector of St. Matthew's P. E. church, leaves to-day for his home in New York, and after his visit there he will leave for Oklahoma, to take up work under the bishop of that diocese.

County Clerk Armor S. Cooper, of Hancock county, was in town yesterday afternoon. He called on Clerk Robertson, and inspected the record typewriters used so successfully here, and will endeavor to have one placed in his office for similar work.

Mrs. Henry Brooks, of the East End, is recovering from a critical illness.

The condition of Dr. W. P. Megrall, of the Island, who was operated on for appendicitis Tuesday, showed a decided improvement last night, and his physicians, Drs. Meyer and Reed, are now hopeful of his speedy recovery.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered intensely for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Burns, Boils, Pain or Itch, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by Logan Drug Co.'s drug store.—6.

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More Than Her Husband, and Then Came the Divorce.

Many Wheeling people will recall Miss Nannie Sitgreaves, of the Island, who had quite a local reputation in amateur theatricals here some time ago, and they will be interested in learning that her husband has been granted a divorce. His wife couldn't overcome her love for the stage. Says a Pittsburgh special to the Philadelphia Inquirer:

Dr. Frank J. Phillips, after a short hearing in court to-day, secured a divorce from his wife, Nannie J. Sitgreaves Phillips, who left him in October, 1896, just three months after marriage.

Mrs. Anna Hammon and Mrs. Blanche Marsh testified that Mrs. Phillips left her husband because he was too kind to her. The former said: "The doctor built a handsome home for his wife, furnished it beautiful, everything being elegant and she wore the finest raiment. She told me she was not going to live there; she could not live a domestic life, and she preferred the glitter of the stage to a comfortable home. She said she would not live with him; his kindness was too great and she could not stand it. She said his treatment was too kind; that he should kick her out of the house. She was going back to the stage."

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DIED.

WOLVINGTON—On Thursday, December 7, 1899, at 9:30 a. m. ELIZABETH, wife of William Wolvington, aged 55 years. Funeral services at family residence, 29 Thirty-third street, Saturday morning, December 9, at 9:30 a. m. Interment private at Cameron, W. Va.

DARE—On Thursday, December 7, 1899, MRS. MARY ISABELLA DARE, wife of E. A. Dare, of Weilsburg, aged 53 years. Funeral notice hereafter.

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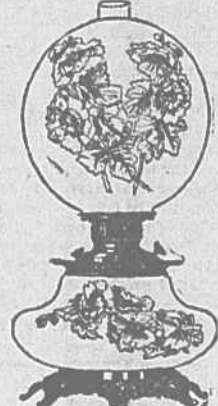
Solid oak, bent and glass, mirror top—\$12.98.

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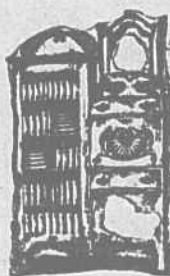
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